

# HALLMARK LOAN SCAM Sonali Bank's ex-DGM dies in jail custody

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A former deputy general manager of Sonali Bank, AKM Azizur Rahman, suspended over illegal lending of Tk 3,547 crore to Hallmark Group and five other companies, died in jail custody last night.

Senior Jail Super Farman Ali said Aziz died at 7:45pm at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University where he with heart diseases had been admitted for about a month. His health condition deteriorated in the afternoon, said Farman.

On October 14, 2012, Rab arrested Aziz over the loan scam that surfaced in May the same year.

The Anti-Corruption Commission accused Aziz, his four colleagues and 22 people from the private firms in 11 cases for the loan scam.

Aziz had been the manager at Sonali Bank's Ruposhi Bangla branch when the swindling took place between 2010 and 2012.

## Tribunal accepts

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looting Ghosh's house in Araiura village on October 8 and involved in killing Rashid Ali Bepari and setting fire to 100 houses in Sachail village on December 11.

According to the formal charge, Hassan, 65, alleged commander of Tarail unit Razakar in Kishoreganj, set a camp of the auxiliary force of the Pakistani occupation army at Tarail Police Station on April 23, 1971.

The prosecution in its charges said that Hasan had been living in his Machihata village residence in Brahmanbaria before he went into hiding but he had been living in Tarail of Kishoreganj with his family members for many years, including during the liberation war. His father Syed Musleh Uddin was the vice-president of Pakistan Democratic Party (PDP) for East Pakistan and the chairman of the Peace Committee in the then Kishoreganj subdivision in 1971. The PDP and Peace Committee had opposed the country's independence, it said.

Hasan who is not active in politics now was once involved with Nezam-e-Islami, another anti-liberation organisation, which was banned immediately after the independence of Bangladesh but resumed its activities during the regime of late president Ziaur Rahman.

### AZHARUL'S CASE

Prosecutor Tapas Kanti Baul yesterday placed arguments on the torture cell set up in Rangpur Town Hall in the crimes against humanity case against Jamaat-e-Islami Assistant Secretary General ATM Azharul Islam.

The three-member tribunal yesterday expressed discontent over "callousness" of the investigation agency as it observed that the agency could have produce more evidence to prove the charges.

As per the charges brought against him by the prosecution, Rangpur Town Hall was used as a torture centre for civilian by the Pakistani occupation army where Azharul used to go and facilitated the army.

In his arguments, prosecutor Tapas told that a rape victim who was tortured at the Town Hall testified before the tribunal accusing Azharul for being involved in abduction, torture and detention which are "enough" to establish the charges.

The proceeding of the case was adjourned till today.

Azharul, facing six charges for his alleged involvement in crimes against humanity and genocide, was produced before the tribunal.

## 225MW SIKALBAHA POWER PLANT IN CTG

# PDB signs deal with Indian co

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Power Development Board yesterday signed a contract with an Indian company Larsen & Toubro Ltd to construct a power plant at Sikalbaha in Patiya of Chittagong that will produce 225 megawatt electricity.

The combined cycle (dual-fuel) power project will cost around US \$202.22 million, said BPDB officials.

It will be funded by Saudi Fund for Development, Kuwait Fund for Arab

Economic Development, Abu Dhabi Fund for Development and OPEC Fund for International Development, they said.

BPDB Secretary Zahurul Haque and Larsen & Toubro Vice President Saurav Indwar signed the contract at Bidyut Bhaban in the capital.

It will take 30 months to complete the project, said Zahurul.

Several top level officials of the government and donor agencies were present on the occasion.

## Independent commission

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broadcast media.

He criticised the government for not mentioning in the policy how licences will be given and on what basis.

Bulbul, who was involved in drafting the policy, strongly objected to the provision which said editorial policy of broadcast media should get approval of the proposed broadcast commission.

Iftekharuzzaman, executive director of TTB, said there are many negative provisions in the policy which hopefully can still be amended.

"The proposed broadcast commission can do the job after consulting with the stakeholders. The policy will be a complete one after that," he said, adding that a ban on broadcasting any item which demeans armed forces or law-enforcing agencies and government officials who punish others for criminal offences is contradictory to the Right to Information Act.

According to the policy, anything that is in favour of a country, but proves to be harmful to other countries and thus affects friendly relations cannot be published.

"So we will not be able to write on incidents like the murder of Felani by the Indian Border Force if the provision

remains," he observed.

Barrister Sara Hossain said many provisions need to be defined.

Prof Shafiul Alam Bhuiyan, chairperson of film and television studies department at Dhaka University, said a policy can be explained in many ways, but the good thing here is that a policy was formulated and it can be modified with definitions and explanations.

"The policy is a working document. We can work on it through discussions and criticisms," said Alam, a member of the committee that prepared the draft of the policy.

Terming the policy a good step, Mustafa Jabbar, also a member of the draft preparing committee, said information ministry officials were to correct the policy's language but they did not do so.

Media expert and Pro Vice Chancellor of the University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh Prof Golam Rahman suggested a comprehensive mass media policy considering the advancement of the technology.

Moderated by Tahmina Rahman, director of Article 19, Bangladesh and South Asia, the programme was addressed, among others, by Kamrul Ahsan Monju of Mass-line Media Centre and Shamsuddin Haider Dali of Maasranga TV.

## Manabzamin reporter

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When they knocked down the door to the house, police found the two with a woman who immediately began shouting that the two had raped her.

Refuting the allegation of rape, Chowdhury claimed it was a plot by police

against him as he has been writing on corruption in Sylhet Metropolitan Police.

Mohammad Rahamat Ullah, additional deputy commissioner of SMP, denied Chowdhury's allegation and said the two were arrested on basis of the woman's complaint.

## GRAFT CASE

# Ex-state minister Mannan gets bail on surrender

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday granted bail to former state minister for housing and public works Abdul Mannan Khan till October 13 after he had surrendered before it in a corruption case filed against him.

The court granted him bail, considering his illness, status as a former state minister and no scope for his leaving the country.

The Anti-Corruption Commission filed the case with Ramna Police Station on August 21 on charge of amassing illegal wealth and concealing information about it.

The case statement said Mannan concealed information of his property worth Tk 4.59 lakh and he could not produce documents in favour of his income of Tk 75 lakh.

According to his income tax returns and other related documents, he has movable properties worth Tk 96.89 lakh. But his wealth statement submitted to the ACC on March 9 stated that he owned movable properties worth Tk 92.30 lakh.

The same day, the ACC also filed two more cases with the same police station against Awami League lawmaker Abdur Rahman Bodi and former state minister for water resources Mahbubur Rahman for concealing wealth information and discrepancies in their wealth statements and income tax returns.

## DU, RU observe

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RU Kendrio Sangskritik Jote also brought out a protest procession on the campus at 10:30am.

On August 20, 2007, army personnel beat three DU students and insulted a teacher on the DU gymnasium playground during a football match. The incident sparked clashes between police and students, spreading from DU to all other educational institutions in the country.

The unrest then led to the arrest of several DU and RU teachers and students on charges of breaking the Emergency Power Rules.

## EC extends deadline

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sought for extension of time. The EC will send letter to the party notifying the issue.

The registration will be cancel, if any party fails to submit the report for three consecutive years, according to the Representation People Order.

## Obituary

CITY DESK

Mizanur Rahman, a former captain of Bangladesh Biman Airlines, died due to brain damage on Friday. He was 79.

Father of media personality Korovi Mizan, Captain Mizan was a pilot of Pakistan International Airlines before the independence of Bangladesh and joined Bangladesh Airlines when it was established. His quikhwani will be held at Gulshan Azad Mosque tomorrow after Maghrib prayers.

**Mohammad Abdul Hai**  
CITY DESK



Mohammad Abdul Hai, general secretary of Bangladesh Tanners Association, died on August 21.

He was highly regarded in the leather sector of Bangladesh for his knowledge.

The Leathergoods and Footwear Manufacturers and Exporters Association of Bangladesh (LFMEAB) expressed condolences.




### Human Chain

Supporters of controversial Bangladeshi writer Taslima Nasrin, living in self exile, will form a human chain demanding answers her right to stay in Bangladesh. Venue: Shahbagh. Time: 4:00pm.

### Seminar

Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University will hold a seminar titled "Menace of Ebola Virus: How Much We Are Prepared?". Venue: Shaheed Dr Milon Hall. Time: 11:00am.



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## Social and Economic Enhancement Programme-SEEP

### Consultant Required for Mid Term Assessment

Social and Economic Enhancement Programme-SEEP is a Non Governmental Organization that has been working with underprivileged children to improve socio-economic standards since 1986. The organization requires an individual or a group of consultants to conduct a midterm assessment of a Child Friendly Local Governance urban Project funded by Save the Children. The eligible consultant firm or individual should have sound knowledge of : governance of urban and rural Local Government Institutions, social service delivery and related laws and policies, understanding of child rights issues, proven experience in designing and conducting midterm assessment surveys, as well as excellent report writing skills (in English).

The eligible candidate will have to conduct the survey in Dhaka City Corporation, Sathkhira and Manikgonj districts.

**Time Frame: 31st August to 15th November 2014**

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The World Bank would like to invite expressions of interest (EOI) from survey firms to administer the baseline (November 2014-January 2015) and the follow-up surveys (July-September 2016). EOIs will be evaluated on relevant experience in surveys in the education sector; technical and managerial capabilities of the agency; qualification of staff; etc. Expressions of Interest should be submitted, in English, electronically through World Bank Group eConsultant2 (<https://wbgeconsult2.worldbank.org/wbgec/index.html>) by September 3, 2014.



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